

House bill No. 5, a bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the per diem pay and mileage of members, and the per diem pay of officers and employes of the Second Called Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Texas, convened March 26, 1906, by proclamation of the Governor," have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and recommend that the bill be not printed.

WILLACY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 30, 1906.
Hon. George D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred

House bill No. 6, a bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation to defray the contingent expenses of the Second Called Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, convened March 26, 1906, by proclamation of the Governor," have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and recommend that the bill be not printed.

WILLACY, Chairman.

APPENDIX B.

November 1, 1905.

The Honorable S. W. T. Lanham, Governor of Texas.

Sir: We herewith submit for your inspection the letters from one hundred and eight State Senators and Representatives, who express their willingness to serve in special session of the Legislature, free of cost to the State either for mileage or for the time necessary to correct Section 120 of the general election law. It will be seen that a quorum of each House have thus written. We also submit letters from the Lieutenant Governor and letters from clerks of the Legislature, doorkeepers and even little pages and negro porters to the same effect. The section referred to, though published as a Law of Texas, was never enacted by the Legislature, but was repudiated by their votes as shown by the Journals. In its broad scope it assumes to direct the manner in which the votes cast by the people in primary elections for all State and district officers shall be estimated in nominating conventions.

In our opinion a counterfeit law, which was never "prescribed by the supreme power of the state," but which

was enrolled and published through fraud or mistake, should not remain on the statutes as a "rule of action," and for ourselves and associates we respectfully request that you convene the Legislature in special session to correct it.

We do not ask permission under executive proclamation to revise the entire general election law, for perhaps no member of the Legislature approves all of its provisions, but request that we be restricted to the "subject" embraced in Section 120. Nor do we feel called on at this time to enquire whether the section referred to was engrossed through fraud or mistake in either event it undertakes to prescribe how the chief officers of the people shall be nominated, and is not a law enacted by their representatives.

Our agreement to serve without pay in order to relieve the people from a law which they had no hand in making is perhaps unusual; but so was the Revolution of 1776, and both were inspired by the same spirit of protest against the enforcement of unauthorized laws.

We have refrained from presenting this application until all danger from yellow fever had ceased and now respectfully submit it for your consideration. Very sincerely,

Senators:

A. B. DAVIDSON.
MARSHALL HICKS.
W. C. McKAMY.
W. A. HANGER.

Representatives:

THOS. B. LOVE.
E. F. HARRIS.
O. P. BOWSER.
W. D. WILLIAMS.
A. W. TERRELL.

SIXTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas,

Saturday, March 31, 1906.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, Lieutenant Governor Neal presiding.

Roll call quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Barrett.
Beaty.
Brachfield.
Chambers.
Davidson.
Decker.
Faulk.

Faust.
Glasscock.
Griggs.
Grinnan.
Hanger.
Harbison.
Harper.

Hawkins.	Skinner.
Hill.	Smith.
Holland.	S.afford.
Looney.	Stokes.
Martin.	Stone.
McKamy.	Storm.
Meachum.	Terrell.
Paulus.	Willacy.

Absent.

Hicks.

Prayer by Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears, as follows:

Almighty and everlasting God, we are devoutly thankful for the brightness and beauty of this day, and we seek Thy presence with and over us during the business and turmoil of the day. May we be thoughtful and prudent in all we attempt, that Thou mayest be glorified. Bless our great Commonwealth and may all the people be happy and prosperous, and may we be a people whose God is the Lord, hear us our Father and bless us, and save us for Christ's sake. Amen.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

Senator Looney offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, The Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of Texas has organized a movement for the promotion of industrial education in Texas; therefore

Resolved, That we look with favor upon said movement and give the same our endorsement as an important factor in fostering the material progress and development of our State.

Resolved further, That we believe the system of school lectures on agriculture and kindred subjects to be given by persons in each school district and community as proposed by said Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of Texas is practical and wise.

Resolved further, That we recognize the good judgment displayed by the president of said union in the appointment of Hons. W. C. McKamy and John G. Willacy as members of the State board of industrial educators and we commend them to the people of their respective congressional districts within which they are to serve in the capacity stated.

Adopted.

Morning call concluded.

SENATE BILL NO. 1.

The Chair announced that the question was on the substitute motion of Senator Faulk's, on yesterday, which

provided for the concurrence in amendment No. 1, and the refusal to concur in amendment No. 2.

(Senator Brachfield in the chair.)

Senator Hawkins, in supporting his argument, while speaking on the motion before the Senate, presented the following letter, had it read and requested it published in the Journal. There being no objection it was so ordered, and is as follows:

Gail, Texas, March 28, 1906.

Hon. A. S. Hawkins, Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir—We are having some trouble over the primaries in this county and a great deal of dissatisfaction. There is no one that is in favor of them in this county, on account of the great expense on the candidates in having them held, and on account of the voters having to go so far to get to the polls and they do not want to go but once and that is at the general election. This being the case the candidates have about all decided not to go into the primary, and all run on the independent ticket. The primaries are good for the thickly settled counties, but you know about how the people in this western country are located. We officers of Borden county think that it would be better to have the Terrell law changed so that it will be discretionary with counties especially these western counties as to whether they held primaries or conventions. If the law could be amended in this way we could hold conventions for district and State officers and instruct for same, while as the law stands we will lose our vote for said officers as we can not afford to go into the primaries, as it will cost us candidates \$50 a piece to hold it, hence we have decided that we will stay out. If you can have this matter arranged so that we can instruct in convention for State and district officers and let all the county candidates run on until the general election we will be under many obligations to you. I have been appointed by the rest of the officers of the county to take this matter up with you. Let me hear from you on this matter and what you think you can do for us. Very truly,

M. J. THORNTON.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives
(Second Called Session)
Twenty-ninth Legislature.

Austin, Texas, March 30, 1906.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir—I am directed by the House to

inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

Senate concurrent resolution No. 1, endorsing our representatives in Congress in opposing a national quarantine law.

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

MESSAGE FROM GOVERNOR.

Austin, Texas, March 31, 1906.
To the Senate:

In compliance with the request contained in your resolution of the 30th inst., I herewith transmit certain additional letters addressed to Judge A. W. Terrell. Respectfully, etc.,

S. W. T. LANHAM,
Governor.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
(Second Called Session.)
Twenty-ninth Legislature.
Austin, Texas, March 31, 1906.
Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir—I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5, lamenting the death of William L. Prather, late President of the University of Texas.

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

RECESS.

On motion of Senator Meachum, the Senate, at 1 o'clock, recessed until 3 o'clock p. m.

AFTER RECESS.

The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Neal.

SENATE BILL NO. 1.

Action recurred on the House amendments to Senate bill No. 1, the question being on Senator Faulk's substitutive motion to concur in amendment No. 1 and non-concur in amendment No. 2.

Pending prolonged discussion.

Senator Looney moved to table the substitute motion.

Senator Smith here withdrew his amendment to Senator Looney's motion, omitting the word "free" before "conference."

Senator Faulk asked for a division of the question, stating that he thought that his motion was made that way; besides, he said, the rules of the Senate allowed a division of a question at any time.

Senator Hanger made a point of order that the motion could not be divided at this time, which point was overruled, and Senator Hanger made the further point of order that if the first amendment was tabled that it would dispose of the entire motion. Several other reasons were stated by Senator Hanger and other members.

The Chair overruled the point of order.

The Chair then stated that the motion could be divided and that the vote would be taken on the first part of the motion, which was to concur in the amendment No. 1.

The motion was to table and was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—15.

Brachfield.	McKamy.
Davidson.	Meachum.
Decker.	Skinner.
Faust.	Stafford.
Hanger.	Stone.
Hill.	Storm.
Holland.	Willacy.
Looney.	

Nays—13.

Barrett.	Harbison.
Beaty.	Harper.
Chambers.	Hawkins.
Faulk.	Martin.
Glasscock.	Smith.
Griggs.	Terrell.
Grinnan.	

Absent.

Hicks.

Absent—Excused.

Paulus.

PAIRED.

It is hereby agreed that if either of us is absent at time of taking vote in Senate on proposition to concur in the House amendments, that I would vote "aye" on paired with Paulus, who would vote "no."

PAULUS.
STOKES.

Here Senator Hanger raised the point of order that the remainder of the motion was not a substitute motion, whereupon Senator Faulk withdrew the motion.

Question then being on the motion by Senator Looney, that the Senate do not concur in the House amendment, and request a free conference committee.

The motion was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—16.

Beaty.	Looney.
Brachfield.	McKamy.
Davidson.	Meachum.
Decker.	Skinner.
Faust.	Stafford.
Hanger.	Stone.
Hill.	Storm.
Holland.	Willacy.

Nays—12.

Barrett.	Harbison.
Chambers.	Harper.
Faulk.	Hawkins.
Glasscock.	Martin.
Griggs.	Smith.
Grinnan.	Terrell.

Absent.

Hicks.

PAIRED.

Senator Paulus, absent voting "yea," with Senator Stokes, present, voting "nay."

REASON FOR VOTING.

I vote yea because I believe that neither the Senate bill nor the House amendments are, in my opinion, such as the people of the State are asking for. I am in favor of a blanket primary, therefore I am of the opinion that the plurality of votes should control in primary elections as well as in elections. JNO. T. BEATY.

I vote yea because I promised to come to this session for the purpose of correcting Section 120, and while I believe in the blanket primary system of nominating officers, I would be acting in bad faith with the Governor and my constituents to do anything except to vote to correct said section.

BRACHFIELD.

FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

The Chair here appointed the following Free Conference Committee on Senate bill No. 1 on part of the Senate Senators Looney, Faulk, Davidson, Stafford and Hill.

ADJOURNMENT.

Senator Harbison moved that the Senate adjourn till Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Senator Stone, moved, as a substitute, that the Senate adjourn till Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Action being on the longest time first, the motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—4.

Faust.	Martin.
Holland.	Stone.

Nays—24.

Barrett.	Hawkins.
Beaty.	Hill.
Brachfield.	Looney.
Chambers.	McKamy.
Decker.	Meachum.
Faulk.	Skinner.
Glasscock.	Smith.
Griggs.	Stafford.
Grinnan.	Stokes.
Hanger.	Storm.
Harbison.	Terrell.
Harper.	Willacy.

Absent.

Davidson.	Paulus.
Hicks.	

The motion to adjourn until Monday morning was then adopted.

APPENDIX A.

JOURNAL CORRECTIONS.

RESOLUTION SIGNED.

The following should have appeared in yesterday's Journal:

The Chair (Lieutenant Governor Neal) gave notice of signing, and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after its caption had been read,

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3, relating to the employment of W. P. Zuber as watchman in the State Capitol.

APPENDIX B.

LETTERS ORDERED PUBLISHED.

Following are the letters from members of the Senate who wrote Judge Terrell with regard to calling the special session of the Legislature for the purpose of correcting the election law. The ones that appear were all that was furnished the Journal Clerk and are published by order of the Senate:

Bonham, Texas, June 21, 1905.

Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

My Dear Sir and Friend—I hereby agree to serve in a special session of the Legislature for the purpose of correcting the election bill so as to conform to the law as passed by the

Legislature just ended, without expense to the State.

Very truly yours,

A. P. BARRETT.

From Third Senatorial District.

Henderson, Texas, June 21, 1905.

Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin:

My Dear Sir—You may add my name to the list of members willing to attend a session without pay for the purpose of correcting the election bill.

Yours truly,

CHAS. L. BRACHFIELD.

Clarksville, Texas, June 12, 1905.

Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

My Dear Judge—I note article in Dallas News regarding called session to correct Terrell election law, and I shall gladly return and stay until work is completed without cost to the state.

You understand I favored an absolute blanket primary from Governor down, but as I was licked on that proposition and yourself and others having compromised, I am now willing to let the law be fixed so as to read as it passed both houses.

With regards, I am, your friend,

C. M. CHAMBERS.

Cuero, Texas, May 26, 1905.

Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Dear Sir—I have a letter from Senator Hanger this morning which I hasten to answer and I most cheerfully hasten to do so. His suggestion meets with my absolute approval that the Legislature meet at an early date to adopt properly the free conference report if it was not done at the special session and clear ourselves at least of the imputation of having neglected to properly report the Free Conference Committee report, or if properly reported that there was something wrong in connection with the enrollment of the bill. I regret the miscarriage of the legislation more than any other piece of legislation since I have been a member of the Senate, I believe, for I regard it as the best election law of any State in the Union, and that the proper passage of this bill and upon the proper understanding by the people of this State it will be the most appreciated act of any service of the Legislature for many years.

You can most assuredly count on me to be present as a member of the caucus, as kindly suggested by you and Senator Hanger, to the end that we request the Legislature to convene at the individual expense of its membership to correct this bill. If you will permit me to make one suggestion, I will add that I have a case set in the Federal Court for the first

Monday in June, which is the fifth day of June, and if that would suit the other members of the caucus that time would suit me best, for the reason that a six weeks' term of court will begin in this county Monday morning and it will be very difficult for me to arrange sooner than on that day to be present. I am very anxious to be with you on the occasion.

Your friend,

A. B. DAVIDSON.

Quanah, Texas, Oct. 12, 1905.

Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Dear Sir—I am in receipt of your letter 6th inst. Since reading the Senate Journal, printed copy having been received a few days ago, I am convinced that you are correct in your contention with regard to "Bleeding 120," and that there has been some fraudulent practice somewhere, and by some one with regard to the Conference Report on the bill.

I agree to serve such time as may be necessary without charge for mileage and per diem at a called session for the purpose of investigating this or any other fraudulent practice by any member or employe of the Twenty-ninth Legislature. If the call embraces any other section I will demand by mileage and per diem.

Very respectfully,

D. E. DECKER.

Austin, Texas, July 11, 1905.

Senator Faust, New Braunfels, Texas:

My Dear Sir—Senator Hicks informed me here this morning that some one had told him that you had expressed a willingness to return without expense to the State to correct Section 120 of the election bill, that has been falsely enrolled.

If so, will you not write to me informing me of that fact, so that I can submit your letter with others to the Governor at the proper time.

I now have letters from a majority of the members of the Legislature who agree to come free of expense to the State.

We could consider only what the Governor would submit in his message, and we should finish the work in three days.

Very respectfully,

A. W. TERRELL.

Dear Judge—Shall be glad to serve without compensation purpose indicated.

Yours very respectfully,

JOSEPH FAUST.

New Braunfels, July 12, 1905.

Georgetown, Texas., June 23, 1905.

Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Dear Judge—Yours of 19th welcome to hand during my absence from home. I have just returned home today; replying, will say that personally I have no objections to serving my constituency and the State free of any expense in a called session of the Legislature, I do not believe you can get two-thirds of both branches of the Legislature to serve without pay; the clerks and other employes would not give their time and services free; neither would the public printer and his employes work free for the State. I am impressed with the idea that the law governing elections, known as your bill, which passed two years ago, would be far preferable to the people at large than the law passed at the last Called Session of the Legislature. It is true, that the irregularities or inconsistencies in the law of two years ago were remedied to a great extent by the late law, yet as to the law of 1903 for nominating officers by the political parties, I regard it much preferable and more favorable to the people than the last law passed. The people, especially the Democratic party, in my Senatorial District, favor the nomination of candidates on the plurality vote primary system, which I most heartily endorse myself. With best wishes, I am,

Your friend,
G. W. GLASSCOCK.

Houston, Texas, June 25, 1905.

A. H. Belo & Co., Dallas, Texas:

No.

G. B. GRIGGS.

Collinsville, Texas, June 10, 1905.

Judge A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Dear Sir—I will attend a session of the Legislature without pay, if called to correct error in the election law.

Yours truly,
J. L. HARBISON.

Fort Worth, Texas, Sept. 29, 1905.

Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Dear Judge—I received your letter of the 15th inst and should have answered at once, but have been so busy in court that I have not had time to do anything else except look after my cases.

I approve of Davidson's suggestion to request the Governor to call a special session for about December 1. This will be at a time when all danger of yellow fever will be past and, I think, will be more convenient than the first of January to almost all of the members, especially those members who are lawyers and who will have courts convening about the first of January.

I sincerely hope the Governor will call a special session.

Very sincerely and respectfully,
W. A. HANGER.

Abilene, Texas, June 14, 1905.

Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Dear Sir—Referring to proposed extra session of the Legislature for the purpose of correcting defects in the "election law," beg to say that I am disposed to think that no such emergency exists as demands this action. If the powers that be think otherwise I am ready to come on the same basis as others, that is, free of expense to the State.

If the extra session is called, please have it convene after frost. It would be a punishment on me to spend this hot weather in Austin.

With regards and best wishes.

Truly Yours,
A. S. HAWKINS.

Abilene, Texas, Sept. 27, 1905.

Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

My Honored Sir—To say I appreciate your personal letter to me, but poorly expresses my gratification on receiving your late communication. You may to say to Governor Lanham that in case he sees fit to call us back in extra session that he can depend upon my responding and serving the State free of charge—in the matter of making the proposed correction in Section No 120 of the "election law." I had previously written you to the same effect, but suppose my letter had been overlooked.

With the highest personal regard,
I am

Truly yours,
A. S. HAWKINS.

Houston, Texas, June 9, 1905.

Judge A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Dear Sir—Put my name on the list with those who are willing to return to Austin free of cost to the State any time named by the Governor for the sole purpose of correcting the error made in the enrollment of the Terrell election law. With best wishes I am,

Yours very truly,
J. M. HALE.

San Angelo, Texas, Oct. 12, 1905.

Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Dear Sir—I am in receipt of your favor of October 5 and in reply beg to say that if the Governor should call an extra session for the purpose only of correcting Section 120 of the election bill, I will attend without com-

pensation. I think it should take us only a few days, not exceeding a week, in which to make the necessary corrections.

Yours truly,
J. W. HILL.

Greenville, Texas, October 7, 1905.
Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Dear Judge—Your letter of the 5th inst., in regard to a proposed special session of the Legislature to correct Section 120 of the election bill, is received.

Preterming a statement of the reasons why I have not heretofore assented to the proposition of a free special session and answering your letter, beg to say that I will not hold out against a great majority of my brethren of the Legislature, but do agree to meet in special session for such time as may be necessary to make the correction free of charge to the State.

With good wishes, I am,
Your friend,

B. F. LOONEY.

(Personal)

Navasota, Texas, October 24, 1905.
Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas.

My Dear Judge—Replying to your favor of recent date, beg to say that I am entirely willing to serve the State free of charge for the purpose of correcting the error in Section 120 of the election law. If, however, other matters are submitted for the consideration of the Legislature, I shall expect compensation for my services.

It occurs to me that we ought to be able to get through with the election law error in two or three days, and I hope the Governor will see fit to call us for that purpose, as I believe the people are entitled to legislation from their representatives and not otherwise. With the passing of time and further observation of election matters, I am thoroughly convinced that you are entirely right in the demand you have been making for a uniform blanket primary where the vote of the high and the low can be counted alike. Let us have such legislation as will insure to each individual voter, be he rich or poor, the right of casting an honest ballot as to his choice, and after he has done so, let that ballot be honestly and fairly counted. In this way the people's choice will be selected and that is what every good citizen who loves his country and wants to see a "square deal" ought to wish.

I shall welcome the day when the convention system is relegated to the field of the "has beens." With best regards,

Truly your friend,
McDONALD MEACHUM.

Hallettsville, Texas, June 12, 1905.
Judge A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Esteemed Sir—This is to say that I am ready to attend a special session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature for purpose of passing in as nearly a perfect form as possible the "Terrell Election Law," in lieu of the present law, and to serve free of all charges.

Yours truly,
D. A. PAULUS,
Senator Eighteenth District.

Waxahachie, Texas, June 14, 1905.
Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Dear Sir—I am willing to return, upon call of the Governor, and correct the mistake of the enrolling clerk and committee of the House, provided all other members signify their willingness to do so.

I will state, however, that I am not in favor of a special session for the purpose mentioned. I do not consider it of sufficient importance to justify an extra session, whether with or without pay to the members. The State executive committees of the several political parties could easily settle it, it seems to me, for the coming primaries.

Yours very truly,
S. P. SKINNER.

Denton, Texas, June 22, 1905.
To the News:

Your favor of the 21st inst. has been received by me, and I note that you desire to know of me if I am willing to attend a call session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, without costs to the State, and for the sole purpose of correcting the error made in the enrollment of Section No. 120 of the General Election Bill.

For answer to your request, I reply, No.

If there should be a call session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature for the purpose indicated in your letter, or for any other purpose, I expect to attend and will demand, and expect to receive from the State the mileage and per diem allowed by the law for such services.

Respectfully,
EMORY C. SMITH.

Mineola, Texas, June 12, 1905.
Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas:

Dear Judge—I notice in the Dallas News that you and others suggest that the Legislature, on call of the Governor, meet and correct the error in the election law without cost to the State.

I write to assure you that I concur in the suggestion and that I will cheerfully come to Austin for that purpose.

Very truly,
R. N. STAFFORD.

Waco, Texas, June 24, 1905.
Messrs. A. H. Belo & Co., Dallas,
Texas:

Gentlemen—Replying to yours of the 21st, relative to an extra session of the Legislature to correct Section 120 of the General Election Law, beg to say that I do not believe a necessity exists for this. I do not think the law is so bad but what the people can adjust themselves to its provisions until it can be corrected at the next regular session of the Legislature.

If there is so much vice in the law as some people seem to think it could have been cured by the Governor vetoing the bill and we would have been under the law enacted by the Twenty-eighth Legislature, which gave almost universal satisfaction.

I am willing to go to Austin at my own expense for a reasonable time to consider only the question of perfecting the Election Law. I would do this out of courtesy to the Governor if he deems it of sufficient importance to convene the Legislature in extra session and the State can stand the expense; yet I do not wish to be understood as committing myself to any particular feature of that law, as amendments will doubtless be offered that would have my support.

Yours truly,

THOMAS P. STONE,
Senator Eleventh District.

Daingerfield, Texas, June 11, 1905.
Hon. S. W. T. Lanham, Governor, Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir: I notice an open letter in the papers addressed to the members of the Twenty-ninth Legislature signed by several Senators and members of the House, asking all members to agree to return to Austin without cost to the State for the purpose of correcting the error in the enrollment of the Election Bill. It seems to me that if possible this bill should be corrected, as in its present condition it will doubtless create great confusion throughout the State, and I write to inform you that I am willing to meet in Extra Session for this purpose without cost to the State.

I hope your Excellency will pardon me for making the following suggestion: If you should decide to call the Legislature together for this purpose it would be a great convenience to many of the members if the call should be for a time when it would not conflict with the County Courts which meets throughout the State on the first Monday in August, as many of the members are lawyers and doubtless all of them have more or less business in these courts, and on account of the

Legislature having been in session they have arranged to have their business continued at the February and May terms to the August term, and, of course, it would be asking too much for a further postponement on account of legislative work. I am your most obedient servant.

Daingerfield, Texas, June 11, 1905,
Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir and Friend: Inclosed please find copy of letter sent to the Governor, which explains itself. Please urge the Governor not to call the Legislature together at a time when it will conflict with the County Courts as it will be a great inconvenience, and I am afraid it would result in not having a quorum.

By the way, the bull in your bill strikes me as a very strange mistake under all the circumstances, and I judge from what I see in the papers that you are also of the same opinion.

Yours truly,

J. M. TERRELL.

San Antonio, Texas, June 12, 1905.
Hon. A. W. Terrell, Austin, Texas.

My Dear Judge Terrell: This will inform you that I will very cheerfully come to Austin at any time to attend a special session of the Legislature for the purpose of correcting any errors in the Election Bill, and restoring same to the condition as actually passed by the Twenty-ninth First Called Session without cost whatever to the State. Very sincerely yours,

JOHN G. WILLACY.

LETTERS OF HOUSE MEMBERS.

The letters from the members of the House, which were presented to the Senate, by request, from the Governor and A. W. Terrell, were furnished to Bob Barker for publication in the House Journal, receipt for which is given below:

Austin, Texas, March 30, 1906.
Received of Lieutenant Governor George D. Neal through the Journal Clerk of the Senate, R. M. Gilmore the following: Fifty-five letters of members of the House addressed to A. W. Terrell and twenty-two addressed to Dallas News—all that were in their possession.

BOB BARKER,
Chief Clerk of House.

SEVENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, Monday, April 2, 1906.
Senate met pursuant to adjournment Lieutenant Governor Neal presiding.